

May 17

Luke 22:31, 32

**“Sifted or
Converted”**

³¹ And the Lord said,
Simon, Simon, behold,
Satan hath desired to have
you, that he may sift you as
wheat: ³² But I have prayed
for thee, that thy faith fail
not: and when thou art
converted, strengthen
thy brethren.

FOR THOUGHT

These words were spoken by “the Lord” specifically to Simon Peter, but is it applicable for Believers today? If so, to whom would it apply and how would Satan’s desire to have a person be detected? How does Satan

“have” a person?
Does this speak of
demonic possession?
Is this concept of *having*
a person, a sporadic
mental influence or
is it long-term,
full-body control?

The Lord said he would
pray that Simon’s **faith**
would not fail. Does that
indicate what it means to

be sifted as wheat by Satan? Is the attack on one's very faith itself?

What does Scripture mean by "converted"?

Is genuine conversion a one-time event, or rather, is it a long-time, or possibly life-time, process?

Is it a reasonable
expectation that when
one has truly been
converted, that
Believer is then able
to strengthen others?

Is your faith failing
or, instead, is it
flourishing during
difficult times of life.

Have you been
satanically sifted?

Have you been
Christ-converted?